

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF YORK
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room, York Hall, Yorktown, Virginia, on the ____ day of ____, 2002:

Present

Vote

Donald E. Wiggins, Chairman
Walter C. Zaremba, Vice Chairman
Sheila S. Noll
James S. Burgett
Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr.

On motion of _____, which carried ____, the following resolution was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO IDENTIFY YORK COUNTY PRIORITIES FOR INCLUSION IN THE FY 2003 SIX-YEAR VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Board has announced a series of public hearings to be conducted across the Commonwealth for the purpose of soliciting comments and recommendations from local jurisdictions concerning necessary highway improvements and the establishment of priorities for inclusion in the FY 2003 Virginia Transportation Development Plan; and

WHEREAS, the York County Board of Supervisors recognizes and appreciates the difficult task that faces the Commonwealth Transportation Board as it works to develop a revised and updated Virginia Transportation Development Plan (VTDP); and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that transportation system improvement needs far exceed available revenues and that adjustments and reductions of existing programs and projects are likely; and

WHEREAS, the Board is aware of the potential 42% reduction in the York County Secondary Roads allocations over the next six years and urges the CTB to consider re-allocation of funds or other measures to ensure that reductions of this magnitude, particularly in suburban localities such as York, are avoided so that much-needed improvement projects can proceed with minimal slippages in schedules; and

WHEREAS, the Board enthusiastically supports development of a VTDP that includes level or increased funding for maintenance to guard against severe deterioration of the transportation network and, particularly, the Board urges that sufficient funding be provided to allow an annual Secondary Roads repaving schedule to be developed and implemented; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the potential project ranking and sorting criteria suggested by the Interim Transportation Commissioner in his January 2002 letter to stakeholders and has evaluated its project priorities with these criteria in mind;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the York County Board of Supervisors this the ____ day of _____, 2002, that it does hereby adopt the following recommended program of priorities and projects for consideration by the Commonwealth Transportation Board:

Priority 1 – Provide funding for the Secondary Road System at levels sufficient to avoid and mitigate the 42% reduction suggested in preliminary correspondence and discussions concerning the proposed VTDP;

Priority 2 – Provide sufficient funding to adequately address transportation system maintenance needs and, particularly, to allow continuation of an adequately-funded annual repaving program for selected Secondary System roads;

Priority 3 – Route 105 extension between Route 17 and Route 173: This project, which is primarily funded through Regional STP allocations, has recently progressed through the Design Public Hearing stage. It is critically important to the County's economic development objectives.

Priority 4 – Route 17 Widening from 4 to 6 lanes between Wolfrap Road and Route 171: This project proposal consists of three components, as follows:

?? Widening between Wolfrap Road to Ella Taylor Road utilizing \$10 million in cost savings which VDOT has committed to transfer from Project #6017-099-F19 north of Route 105;

?? Widening between Ella Taylor Road south to Route 134 utilizing the approximately \$7 million that would be available if Project #6017-099-F19 is cancelled completely, as recommended by the Board of Supervisors;

?? Widening between Route 134 and Route 171; estimated cost \$7 million.

Priority 5 – Route 105 Widening between Jefferson Avenue and Route 17; project pending advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors strongly encourages the Commonwealth Transportation Board to consider the aesthetics of all transportation

projects and to include sufficient funding in all project budgets for appropriate landscaping.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that, although not listed as a priority due to the critical importance of the Route 17 improvements, the Board calls the attention of VDOT and the Commonwealth Transportation Board the need to consider future widening of Route 171 between Route 17 and the City of Poquoson.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator be, and hereby is, authorized to transmit the information contained in this resolution to the Commonwealth Transportation Board to be entered into the record of the Hampton Roads District Allocation Hearing as the official position of the York County Board of Supervisors and to forward copies to the Commissioner and all others deemed appropriate.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commonwealth Transportation Board be, and hereby is, commended for its cooperation in attending to those needs identified within York County and its neighboring communities.